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COPENHAGEN, *September 6.*

WE received intelligence from Morocco, that the present sovereign had renewed the duty of 100 piastres, to be paid by each ship that enters the port of Mogadore.—Notwithstanding this new tax, the usual per cents for exported goods are to be paid as before.

Sept. 13. We see by the latest intelligence from Norway, that the French prizes captured by the English in the harbours of that province, and which were to be immediately restored had not yet arrived.

It is believed that several of the ships of war now lying in this road, will be detached to Norway, where they are to remain stationed during the winter.

HAMBURG, *September 10.*

According to letters from Basle, they expect there the Prussian colonel Pellet and the baron de Walcher, who are charged to enlist for the Prussian service, all the Swiss regiments discharged by France and Holland, to settle with the canton the capitulation, and to send the troops immediately to Wesel and other parts of Westphalia.

These gentlemen are charged to enlist as many more men as possible, for completing other corps of Prussian troops. It is believed that the capitulations will be settled without difficulty, and the levies very easily completed, as the population of Switzerland has considerably increased since those regiments have been discharged; besides many foreigners have emigrated, and no new recruits have been levied several years since.

BERLIN, *September 17.*

We hear that at the present moment the negotiations between this court and that of St Petersburg, are carried on with more than usual activity. The Russian ambassador de Kalitcheff had a private audience at Potsdam; he received and dispatched of late several couriers. It is impossible to determine how far these negotiations have a reference to the assembling of a considerable corps of Prussian troops on the frontiers of Gallicia.

ANSPACH, *September 7.*

One of the chief motives which decided the burghers of Nuremberg to swear allegiance to the king of Prussia, was undoubtedly the promise made by the directing minister, baron Hardenberg, that as soon as they were subjects of Prussia, his majesty the king would not suffer any of the contending parties to march troops into their city and territory. This offer was the more enticing, because the advanced guard of general Moreau's left wing was, at the time of the surrender of that city, fast approaching and no more than ten leagues distant.

Baron Hardenberg, who arrived here yesterday, is now taking the preparatory steps for the organization of the newly acquired territory. His highness the hereditary prince of Hohenlohe, is also here since yesterday. He will have the command in chief of all the Prussian troops in the two marquisates, which will be reinforced with five regiments, on their march from Brandenburg.

LONDON, *September 25.*

Venice is incomparably the richest place in Italy. This noble city, and the islands about it, are so populous, have so many manufactures, and carry on so great a trade, that the revenue drawn from them by the state amounts annually to three millions of ducats. The entire revenue of the republic is computed at eight millions of ducats; and the annual expence does not commonly exceed half that amount; so that in peace they are constantly laying up large sums.—Before the fatal war of Candia, they had in their treasury fifty millions of ducats in ready money, exclusive of a famous gold chain, to which they annually added some links, which forty porters could hardly carry, and which, on certain festivals, was extended across the square of St. Mark, for the gratification of the public.

Experiments are now making in the north of Ireland, with success, for mixing hemp and flax together in the manufacture of coarse linens, which process will considerably lower the price of them.

Duel.—A duel was fought in a field within three miles of Hamburg on the 29th ult. between lord Valentia, and Henry Gawler, Esq. They left England with their seconds and surgeons for the purpose. They fired together: Mr Gawler's fire took place.—The ball entered a little above his lordship's sternum, and lodged near the neck; it was extracted on the field, and when the mail came away, he was considered to be out of danger. Lord Valentia's ball passed through Mr. Gawler's hat.

ST. JOHN'S *(Antigua) September 6.*

A person who arrived this morning from St. Bartholomews asserts that on Thursday evening last, the French commandant of St. Martin's, and another French officer arrived there in a canoe from that island, being obliged to fly in consequence of the free people of colour having risen upon the French, and taken possession of a post called Mary Gut, where they had hoisted English colours, and that they were proceeding from thence to Great Bay, another post in the possession of the French.—It is supposed they must have been aided by the people of Anguilla.

Two French privateers have been frequently seen about this island, and it is said the island of St. Vincents is infested by no less than six.

A dreadful mortality it is said rages amongst the the British seamen both at Jamaica and St. Domingo.

A report has taken place, which we hope will prove unfounded, that there has been a hurricane at Barbadoes.

Sept. 13. By a gentleman who arrived here this day from St. Bartholomews, we have a confirmation of the transactions passing at St. Martins, as mentioned in our last Journals; with this addition that the French commandant had dispatched a vessel express to Guadeloupe for assistance. Several privateers and a great number of other vessels chiefly under Danish colours, are daily passing between Guadeloupe and St. Bartholomews, as well as St. Thomas's, where there were lying a few days ago, two French frigates and a 50 gun ship.

It is reported that a heavy French frigate with artillery stores, artillery men and troops on board, from France, has got into Guadeloupe. The intelligence, we understand, comes via St. Thomas's.

Oct. 4. Admirals Pole and Christian, we learn, will shortly sail for England in his majesty's frigate Beadlieu. It is said they mean to stop here in their way home.

BERMUDA, *October 15.*

His majesty's ship Asia, captain Murray, arrived off these Islands on Sunday last, from England, after a passage of seven weeks. She sent a boat on shore with letters, &c. informing that the hon. William Campbell, Esq; was passenger on board, who is to succeed his excellency James Crawford, Esq; (our present governor,) to the government of these islands. At night a heavy gale came on with wind at east, which has continued ever since, so that she cannot get up yet. The Asia, after landing the passengers and watering, is to proceed for Halifax, to join admiral Murray's squadron.

The Asia on her passage from England, fell in with a French frigate near the Western Islands, but in chasing her, carried away her main-topmast, which gave the frigate a chance of making her escape before a new one could be got up.

Yesterday arrived at the West End, the brig Retrieve, capt. Seymour, from London, with provisions, &c. for the troops in these islands. She made the land on Sunday, but the gale also drove her again. In her came passenger captain Stokes, who is supposed to have got on board the Asia in the pilot-boat, which has not returned; the boat, with four negroes, it is hoped, is also safe.

HALIFAX, *October 22.*

Wednesday arrived here capt. Warren, in a schooner from St. John's Newfoundland, in 21 days passage.—Capt. Warren informs, that on his way here he touched at the Bay of Bulls—that he found that whole settlement burnt and destroyed, and some of the inhabitants who had fled to the woods, had returned, and were endeavouring to put up small huts to shelter them from the winter. Among the vessels destroyed at the Bay of Bulls, was a valuable brig from London, which had touched there, and had not discharged any part of her cargo. She belonged to the house of Hill & Co.—No accounts had been received at St. John's of the fleet having been at any other principal harbour of the island, or of their having done so much damage as from their force might have been expected.—They have destroyed a number of bankers, and we do not find that they have preserved any of the vessels which have fallen into their hands. At St. John's they have been under no apprehension of an attack from them, though every measure had been taken by Sir James Wallace to give them a warm reception, should they have the folly to attempt it. Upwards of 1000 men have been embodied there for the defence of the place. Captain Warren also informs, that intelligence had been received at St. John's, that the Quebec fleet had got safely through the Straits at Belleisle. A flag of truce with a number of persons who had been taken by the French had arrived at St. John's. Capt. Warren further informs, that 14 days ago he spoke a shallop from Fersland, and learnt, that another vessel had arrived at an adjacent harbour, with a number of masters of vessels and others who had been prisoners on board the admiral's ship. By this vessel they were informed, that seven sail of the fleet had gone into St. Lawrence harbour, in the bay of Placentia, and that they were expecting the return of two of their ships, which had been detached to the northward, and immediately after their rejoining the fleet, it was supposed they would quit the coast. They had been into St. Pierre's and had burnt the church and government house, which had been left standing.

NEW-YORK, *November 12.*

We hear that captain Thompson, from Shelburne, has arrived this day, and brings intelligence that St. John's is not destroyed, as has been reported—but that the French squadron has taken seven sail of the Quebec fleet and destroyed the rest, except one—they have also taken and burnt an American vessel laden with flour. We give this as a creditable report.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND.

A letter from which the following is an extract was yesterday received by a gentleman in this city from his correspondent at St. John's, dated October 10, 1796.

"I am sorry to inform you that captain Porte has been captured by a squadron of French men of war, under the command of admiral Richery, which lately made their escape from Cadiz, consisting of seven sail of the line and three frigates. They appeared off this harbour early in the morning of the 1st ult. and had they then made an attempt on this place I have no doubt they would have carried it, which I am happy to say, should they now attack it, they would fail therein, as I think we are now in a pretty good state of defence."—The writer proceeds to state, that on the appearance of the fleet an immediate embargo was laid on all vessels and boats—that a total stagnation of business had in consequence ensued, but which was immediately expected to be revived.—That the French fleet had been off and landed troops at Bull's Bay (as before stated, in our former accounts) had also gone down the Labradore coast, burning and destroying several ports, and considerable property—and by taking that post, had intercepted the Quebec fleet of eleven sail off the Straits of Belleisle, seven of which they had captured. That as the fleet had not been seen or heard of since, no further attempts were expected.

Captain Thompson, by whom the above intelligence was received, has stated verbally, that about 100 sail of square rigged vessels, and 200 sail of fishing sloops were lying embargoed at St. John's—that the British naval force consisted of the Romney of 50 guns, admiral Sir J. Wallace—the Venus and Mercury frigates of 32 guns each, and the Shark and Fury sloops of war—that a considerable number of the prisoners from the Quebec fleet had been liberated and sent into different ports in small vessels taken on the coast, who spoke highly of the humane treatment received from admiral Richery, and the other officers. The French fleet was stated to be abundantly supplied with provisions, but the seamen so miserably clad, that they took the sails of the different vessels they destroyed, and immediately cut them up into articles of wearing apparel.

November 16.

On Sunday last arrived in this city, captain Luke Codwise, of the brig Glasgow, belonging to this port; captain Codwise, with the six following masters of vessels, B. Huggins, G. Byrne, J. Snell, J. Boyd, of Philadelphia, Z. Hunt, of Providence, (R. I.) and J. Mayhew, of Boston, abandoned their vessels in consequence of the cruel treatment they received from the French, and made their escape from Leogane on the night of the 28th September last, on board the ship Union, Samuel Davis, master, in which they arrived at Rhode-Island.

Capt. Boyd died soon after they left Leogane.

Captain Davis had his cargo taken from him, and regained his vessel by giving security to return her, if she should be condemned. They gave him eighty dollars to lay in provisions, &c. but took it from him afterwards for port charges; and also obliged him to make good a bad debt they had contracted in the sale of his cargo.

Captain Davis is entitled to great applause, for carrying off from a tedious and irksome confinement so many of his countrymen, at the utmost danger of his life, as the French suspecting he would attempt it, threatened to hang him. Capt. Davis effected his laudable purpose in the night.

Captain Codwise has handed us his protest, which we will publish to-morrow. It is a narrative of insult, injustice and wanton barbarity.

Captain King of this port, who was carried into Leogane, made a protest before a French notary, who, as soon as he received payment for it, took it away again.

PITTSBURG, *November 12.*

From Niagara we learn, that the packet arrived there from Kingston, in that province, the 24th October, with dispatches containing information that the French with seven sail of the line, and 5000 troops, had taken possession of the island of St. John's in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. Our informant left Montreal

on the 10th October, on which day a body of 500 French Canadians came into Montreal in a ſtate of inſurrection. The commandant of the regular troops learning that 1000 more of the people were aſſembled in the vicinity of the town, immediately took meaſures for diſperſing thoſe which firſt arrived. While our informant lay at Kingſton, he ſaw a gentleman who left Montreal two days later than he did, who aſſerted that on the day he left there, the French from the country, had aſſembled in much larger numbers than before, and that the whole cry was, "a la guillotine."

Our informant adds, that the Queen's rangers, which are the only troops remaining in Upper Canada, have received orders to hold themſelves in readineſs, to embark for the Lower Provinces at a moment's warning.

Sir John Johnſton is appointed governor of Upper Canada, and has arrived at Quebec.

PHILADELPHIA, *November 24.*

The veſſel built at Geneva, and lately launched into the Seneca Lake, is of fifty tuns burthen, inſtead of thirty, as lately mentioned.

A gentleman near Nottingham (England) has, for the laſt two winters, kept fifteen draught horſes upon [illegible] with very little hay, (no corn) in conſtant work, and they looked plump and were remarkably healthy, and another gentleman has, with the ſame good effect, kept a number of draught horſes on the ſame food, and has ſaved one hundred and twenty quarters of oats. The mode of preparing the turnips is by cutting off the tops and bottoms, waſhing and chopping them in a trough, and then mixing them with cut ſtraw and hay together. In order to induce the horſes to eat turnips at firſt, keep them rather ſhort of hay and water, and mix the turnips cut ſmall with bran. A horſe will eat about half a ſtrike daily, and an acre will keep ſix horſes four months.

From July 1795 to 1796, the Engliſh exported no more than 17,000 pipes of wine from Portugal. In the preceding year they exported 52,000 pipes.

The late earl of Mansfield who died the beginning of September, at Brighthelmſtone, received yearly the following enormous ſums from the Engliſh government, as the compenſation for his ſervices and the titles he bore:

	£ ſterl.
From the Crown,	19,000
As Preſident of the Privy Council,	5,000
As Lord Chief Juſtice of Scotland,	2,000
As Clerk in the King's bench,	6,000
As Hereditary Governor of Scoon place,	4,000
Annual Salary,	36,000

The two latter offices were mere ſinecures; lord Stormont, who is at preſent at the Univerſity of Gottingen, inherits the eſtates and titles of earl of Mansfield. His lucrative poſts will be divided amongſt thoſe who have the beſt claims to the loaves and fiſhes.

The directors of the Sierra Leone Company eſtabliſhed in London, have lately publiſhed a report; by which it appears, that the damage ſuſtained by the depredations of the French ſquadron upon that ſettlement amounted to 40,000l. ſterling, excluſive of buildings deſtroyed, the coſt of which was about 15,000l. It is, however, with ſatisfaction we find, that no events which have yet happened at Sierra Leone, have in any degree ſhaken the reſolution of the directors, with reſpect to the proſecution of the great cauſe in which they are engaged. Under the diviſion of this report, which treats of the civilization of the natives of Africa, the directors have brought forward much additional evidence in proof of the cruelty, injuſtice, and turpitude of the ſlave trade.

"Let the whole aggregate of miſery cauſed by this iniquitous trade, (ſay they) be contemplated; let it be remembered that eight thouſand men are annually carried from Africa, torn from their families and their native country by the civilized nations of the world—let the blood ſpilt in wars, the cutting off of ſlave ſhips, the acts of ſuicide reſorted to by the wretched captives, and the wild and bloody vengeance of the incenſed natives on the ſhore be borne in mind. Let the moral evil chargeable on this trade be conſidered, the drunkenneſs, the treachery, and the violation of all the natural feelings which it occaſions, and above all, the ſtop which it puts to the progreſs of civiliſation, to the improvement and happineſs of one fourth part of the habitable globe; and its enormity muſt indeed be abundantly evident!

November 16.

Le Citoyen P. A. Adet previant ſes concitoyens, que par ordre du directoire executif il a aujourd'hui notifié a M. le ſecretaire d'etat la ſuſpenſion des fonctions de miniſtre plenipotentiaire de la republique Francaiſe, pres les Etats Unis d'Amerique, et qu'en conſequence de la dite ſuſpenſion, ils devoient partir de ce jour addreſſer leurs demandes ou reclamations qu'au conſuls general ou aux conſuls particuliers de la republique.

A Philadelphie, le 25 Brumaire, l'an 5eme de la republique Francaiſe, une et indiviſible (le 15 Novembre, 1796, V. S.)

P. A. ADET.

TRANSLATION.

Citizen P. A. Adet informs his fellow citizens, that by order of the executive directory, he has to-day notified the ſecretary of ſtate, the ſuſpenſion of the functions of the miniſter plenipotentiary of the French republic, near the United States of America, and that in conſequence of the ſaid ſuſpenſion, they muſt from this day addreſs their demands or claims to the conſuls general of the republic.

Philadelphia, the 25th Brumaire, the 5th year of the French republic, one and indiviſible (the 15th November 1796, V. S.)

The following has been ſent to us for publication, by captain Waters, of the ſchooner Morning Star, in 22 days from Cape Francois.

General Laveaux, and Rompre, a man of colour, are gone to France in the frigate Releaſe, as repreſentatives of this colony, the commiſſary Giraud, is alſo gone to France in the above veſſel, in caſe of ſickneſs.

There is another man gone in the room of commiſſary Sonthonax, who was named by the people of the colony, of the Cape, as repreſentative, but an inſurrection taking place in the quarter of Port-de-Paix, he was ſincerely requeſted to ſtay, in order to be the means of quelling it, being the only man proper for that purpoſe, having in general the confidence of the negroes there, &c.

By this arrival we learn that Barney's frigates are not gone to France, but on the contrary that he was appointed commodore of the fleet at the Cape.

Captain Waters ſays that the brig Malabar from this port had arrived here with the loſs of her foremaſt in a gale of wind, and that the ſchooner Boſton, captain Clark, was to ſail for this port in a few days after.

Extract of a letter from Antigua, dated October 12, 1796.

"A ſchooner from Philadelphia, the Active, Elias Vealy, maſter, has been ſeized here, and I think will be condemned. She has been ſeized for having imported 70 pieces of nankeens. I take the liberty of mentioning this, that the buſineſs may not be miſrepreſented. The inſtructions here are extremely poſitive not to ſuffer any Eaſt India goods to be imported in foreign bottoms; but in every other reſpect the American veſſels meet with every poſſible indulgence, and if we could act according to our wiſhes, we ſhould have a free and unlimitted trade with all America."

November 18.

Extract of a letter dated C. Francois, October 19.

"The Railleuſe frigate ſailed this day for France, with the deputies from the iſland to the national aſſembly, amongſt them are gen. Laveaux, and your acquaintance citizen Thomony (a black man.)—Sonthonax, who was alſo one of them, determined not to go, after having been ready to depart: what was the cauſe of ſo ſudden a change in his opinion, I am unable to determine, but believe it to be owing to the reſt of the colonial directory, who do not think themſelves poſſeſſed of the confidence of the citizens ſo much as he is.

"The brigand have lately made a ſevere attack on Port-de-Paix, but have not been able to take it—they have burned all the plantations in its neighbourhood.

"Capt. Barney is here, and his frigate l'Harmoine is ſtripped; it is probable ſhe may go to America this winter."

BALTIMORE, *November 18.*

Several perſons having been hanged for rebellion in Grenada, the Gazette of that iſland of the 2d July, contains the following curious paſſage:

"They were launched into eternity without the leaſt ſigns of repentance, and after hanging till they were dead, they were taken down and their heads cut off, his honour the lieutenant governor having been pleaſed to remit the remainder of the ſentence."

The Women of Hennebec.

When the emperor Conrad the third beſieged Guilphus, duke of Bavaria, in the city of Henſberg, the women finding that the town could not poſſibly hold out, petitioned the emperor that they might depart out of it with as much as each of them could carry. The emperor knowing they could not take away any great quantity of their effects, granted their petition; when the women, to his great ſurpriſe, came out of the place, each of them with her huſband upon her back. The emperor was ſo much moved at the ſight, that he burſt into tears; and after having much extolled the women for their conjugal affection, gave the men to their wives, and received the duke into his favour.

Annapolis, November 24.

Citizen Maddoury is appointed envoy extraordinary from the French republic, to the United States of America.

Address from his Excellency the Governor of Maryland to the Legislature.

Annapolis, November 16, 1796.

Gentlemen,

IT is with peculiar ſatisfaction, that I avail myſelf of the opportunity of addreſſing you at a period, when our country ſeems diſtinguiſhed from all others, by the bleſſings it enjoys. The conſtitution of our general government, eſtabliſhed by the free conſent of the people, framed with a ſingular attention to the excellencies and defects of all the conſiderable governments, ancient and modern, and calculated to ſecure equal rights, and provide for the ſafety of all, hath become more valued by the ſtamp of experience. At peace with all the world, our agriculture, commerce, wealth and population increaſing beyond any former calculation—The productions of our ſoil are abundant, and the large portion thereof deſtined for exportation, may even command an excellent price; and when all ranks of citizens may obtain profitable and eaſy employment, and enjoy the fruits of their induſtry in perfect ſecurity.

I have reaſon, gentlemen, moſt ſincerely to congratulate you on theſe favourable features of our affairs. But in contemplating this pleaſing picture, which I have the ſatisfaction to preſent to you, the mind naturally turns with gratitude to that great patron, to whom we are principally indebted for this ſingular ſtate of proſperity. Almoſt the only ſubject of regret in our political proſpects is, that in a few months our great and good Preſident, is to retire from that ſtation in which he has ſo long aſſiſted with the applauſe of the world, a criſis which all good men will lament—but we may conſole ourſelves with the pleaſing hope, that the inſtructions which he has given us, and that line of conduct which he has marked with ſo much labour, wiſdom and virtue, for the advantage and proſperity of the United States, cannot be miſtaken, but will be fully underſtood, revered and purſued by his ſucceſſors.

It appears to me that the circumſtances of the ſtate of Maryland, will well juſtify the legiſlature in turning their attention to uſeful improvements—And an object of the firſt importance is, to leſſen and make as cheap and eaſy as poſſible, the means of tranſporting heavy commodities. Perhaps in no country can this deſirable object be effected with more eaſe, and at leſs expence, than in this ſtate.

The money which has been granted by law, to facilitate the opening of the river Patowmack, will not only increaſe the wealth and commerce of Maryland, but will alſo become a moſt productive fund, from whence the government will derive conſiderable revenue. From the beſt information which I have been able to obtain, the works on that river will be compleat in twelve months—And from the great advantages contemplated by opening the navigation of the Patowmack, I am induced to recommend to your attention, the opening of the river Suſquehanna; and that a liberal ſum of money be granted and applied in aid of the funds of the Suſquehanna Company, to compleat the navigation of that river as far as it extends in Maryland. It cannot have eſcaped your obſervation, that the great roads through this ſtate are ſcarcely paſſable; and that the laws heretofore made for their improvement, are totally inadequate to obtain the deſirable purpoſe for which they were intended—To ſecure good roads, will require immenſe ſums of money. I ſhall therefore take the liberty of ſubmitting to your conſideration, a plan for laveling them in different corporations, on a toll for a term of years.

It is with concern that I bring to your view, the ſituation of many of the gaols for the confinement of debtors. The ſheriffs on their appointment, are permitted to have what are called gaols at their own houſes—In general theſe buildings are of logs, and frequently without chimnies—Perhaps the period is not very diſtant, when the policy and propriety of confining the perſon for debt may be more generally doubted; but when that confinement is made one of the ſevereſt puniſhments, and frequently is the occaſion of the loſs of life, it demands the interpoſition of the legiſlature; the honeſt, the virtuous, and innocently unfortunate are as frequently confined for debt as the idle, diſhoneſt and wicked—All gaols for the confinement of debtors, ought to be erected at the public expence, and at the place where the courts are held.

There is not any poſitive proviſion made by the conſtitution for the appointment of a clerk to the court of appeals; and both the executive and that court have exerciſed the power of appointment. Doubts have been entertained reſpecting the fourteenth ſection of the conſtitution, relative to the holding of elections for electors of the ſenate; in ſome counties theſe elections are held four days; in others only one day—Although the conſtitution ought always to be touched with reluctance, yet it appears to me that theſe objects deſerve your conſideration. The ſame difficulty occurs in the law paſſed at the laſt ſeſſion for the election of electors of the preſident and vice-preſident of the United States.

The militia of every country is eſteemed its beſt and ſafeſt defence. It is impoſſible under the preſent very defective militia law of Maryland, to have a tolerable well diſciplined and organized militia. Beſides, it is eſſential to this ſyſtem, to have an adjutant-general reſiding at the ſeat of government, and who will attend to the important duties of that office. The ſalary allowed by law to that officer, would not be a compenſation for the performance of the ſervices required; and therefore the ſalary has been received without the duties being performed.

It appears to be of conſiderable conſequence to have a reviſion of the ſeveral detached laws relative to the granting of lands, and regulating the titles thereto, ſo as to comprife the whole into one law. The rules and regulations adopted by the executive in conformity to the law paſſed November ſeſſion, ſeventeen hundred and eighty-one, for the conduct of ſurveyors, may embrace important titles to land, and it would ſeem to be proper to engraft ſuch of them as are neceſſary in the body of the law: To obtain a complete ſyſtem, it would be adviſeable to refer this ſubject to the chancellor, who is at the head of that department.

The funds granted by law for the ſupport of colleges in Maryland, exhibit the pleaſing proſpect of diffuſing learning throughout the ſtate, accomplishing the higheſt attainment of ſcience, and of rearing virtuous citizens, qualified to manage the public concerns of their country. I beg your indulgence whilſt I quote on this ſubject the beſt authority. "Promote then as an "object of primary importance, inſtitutions for the "general diffuſion of knowledge. In proportion as "the ſtructure of government gives force to public "opinion, it is eſſential that public opinion ſhould be enlightened."

I have taken the liberty, gentlemen, of laying theſe ſentiments before you, not that I am impreſſed with an opinion, that theſe or any other objects fit for your deliberation, could eſcape your attention, but from an anxious ſolicitude to co-operate with you in whatever may appear uſeful to our country, being with great conſideration, Gentlemen,

Your moſt obedient ſervant,

J. H. STONE.

* *Preſident's addreſs to the people of the United States.*

[illegible] understood the Chancellor of the Exchequer had communicated to the Cabinet yesterday, [illegible] prepared in the cabinet yesterday, [illegible] guardians, and holds out neither peace nor [illegible] the acceptance of which was a fall of flocks. [illegible] that the French would at least hold out [illegible] a separate of the attempts made by his majesty [illegible] negociations as would have inspired [illegible] the supposition of the court towards [illegible] may draw any argument from the im- [illegible] in the allies by the reports brought [illegible] yesterday afternoon, this is by no means the [illegible] speech is to be smooth and inoffensive—ex- [illegible] such a speech as Mr. Wilberforce would make [illegible] manufacturers of Leeds—sufficiently consoling [illegible] their anxious for peace, but not promising [illegible] to set their looms to work.

Yesterday forenoon the following official letter from lord Grenville was received by the lord [illegible] immediately communicated at Lloyd's [illegible] and on the Royal Exchange:

Downing-street, half past ten o'clock, October 5, 1796.

"I have the honour to inform your lordship, a packet has been received this morning, from France, by [illegible] majesty may think proper to [illegible] for the purpose of treating for the re-establishment of peace.

"I have the honour to be, &c. &c.

(Signed) GRENVILLE."

Lord Mayor.

This important intelligence was received with the utmost satisfaction in this city; and from the tenor of his majesty's speech, to be delivered this day in parliament, we have the happiest assurance that the views of our ministers, for the re-establishment of a general peace, are not only now in a train of realization, but have every chance of being speedily accomplished.

Oct. 10. An official note, dated from Westminster the 21st September, 1796, Old Style (3d Vendemaire 5th year), remitted the 9th of this month to the minister of foreign affairs, and by him presented to the directory, desires passports for an envoy from the British cabinet, who is to come to France to make overtures of peace. The executive directory forthwith made a decree, charging the minister of foreign affairs to deliver the passports desired by the envoy of England, who shall be invested with full powers not only to propose and negotiate a peace between the French republic and Great-Britain, but to conclude it definitively between the two powers. If, then, the English government is sincere—if this proceeding, like all those which he has made up to this time upon this point, does not tend merely to make the world believe that he carries on the war unwillingly, and that it is made in order to have the pretext to require supplies which the English people sees them spend with regret—if this government adjures an unjust hatred, if she opens her ear to the voice of humanity, if she yields to the wish of the nation, whose interest and welfare are intrusted to her care, the peace will experience neither delay nor obstacle.

Extract from the Official Journalle Redacteur.

A PRINT

Of LIBERTY, Giving support to the BALD-EAGLE.

An American Production,

Is in great forwardness;

SPECIMENS to be seen at Mr. John Shaw's, Cabinet Maker, Annapolis, and Mr. Cowan's, printer, of Easton, where subscriptions are received. All orders for ornamental looking gla's frames, or gilt looking glass frames, will be received in Annapolis by Mr. Shaw, on account of the subscribers,

James Smith, & Co.

Baltimore, November 24, 1796.

WANTED,

As an assistant in the clerk's office of Prince-George's county, a young man acquainted with the business would be preferred and well encouraged, but an application from any person of business, writing a good hand, will be attended to. A good recommendation will be required of any applicant.

November 17, 1796.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber is obliged, from repeated trespasses, to forbid all persons hunting with dog or gun, or riding through any of his enclosures on Herring-bay or Sparrow's Point near Baltimore-town, without particular leave obtained from

RICHARD SPRIGG.

November 21, 1796.

By the Committee of Claims.

THE Committee of Claims will sit every day, during the present session, from nine o'clock in the morning until three in the afternoon.

ZERO. B. HUGHES, Clk.

November 10, 1796.

By the Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice.

THE Committee of Grievances and Courts of Justice will sit every day, during the present session, from nine o'clock in the morning until three in the afternoon.

By order, J. W. KING, Clk.

November 10, 1796.

To be SOLD, at the subscriber's dwelling plantation on Herring Bay, on Tuesday the 29th of November, at 11 o'clock, if fair, if not the next following fair day,

NINETY head of good cattle, horses, and sheep, also a very good phaeton, with harness, a smith's bellows, and set of tools, a new cart, and some other plantation utensils. A credit of 12 months will be allowed on giving bond with approved security.

DAVID WEEMS.

Herring Bay, November 10, 1796.

For SALE,

A VALUABLE MILL, on South river, lately thoroughly repaired for the merchant business, and now in good order. Said mill is furnished with one pair of best new burr stones, and one pair of Bologne, and will be sold together with 150 or 200 acres of land, 25 of which are in timothy and highly improved, and 25 acres more could at a small expence be converted into most excellent meadow, the remaining part is well timbered, and will yield staves to answer the use of the mill for many years, besides the many advantages that could be mentioned of the situation of said mill, it can command by little expence a water navigation within the distance of two hundred yards. The terms of sale are, one third of the purchase money in hand, the residue at such periods as may be agreed on. Whoever may be inclined to purchase will apply to John Bryce, jun. living in Baltimore-town, near the north market, in Market-street, or to the subscriber on the spot.

SAMUEL MACCUBBIN.

South river, Anne-Arundel county, November 6, 1796.

Twenty Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the Hockley Works, near Elk-Ridge Landing, on the 14th instant, a negro man named BEN, about 30 years of age, 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, stout made, middling black, his dress cannot be described, as he took away several cloaths with him, amongst which were a short dark drab jacket and trousers, gray fearnought ditto; the said negro was purchased from Mr. David Stewart, West river, and it is supposed that he is gone to that neighbourhood. Whoever takes up said negro, and secures him in any gaol, so that the owner gets him again, shall receive the above reward, and if brought home reasonable expences will be paid, by

JOHN WRIGHT.

November 15, 1796.

GOT away from the subscriber, on Monday the 7th instant, on the road leading from Patapsco lower ferry to Annapolis, a black HORSE, with saddle and bridle on him, the horse is near fourteen hands high, with one white hind foot, and a long star in forehead, and is branded on the near side of his neck with a pot hook. I will give THREE DOLLARS REWARD to any person who will give me information, so that I get him again, if found in the neighbourhood of the subscriber, and SIX DOLLARS, with reasonable charges, to any person who will deliver him to me, living about two miles from Patapsco lower ferry, Anne-Arundel county side, if out of the neighbourhood, or fifteen miles distant.

PATRIC KELLY.

Patapsco, November 11, 1796.

MOSES MACCUBBIN,

Ladies and Gentlemens Hair-Dresser,

BEGS leave to inform his friends, and the public in general, that he has opened shop, opposite Mr. Wheatley's tavern, where he is determined to carry on the above business in all its various branches. He has for sale, hair powder and perfumes, and sundry other articles in the line of his business, such as pomatums, (hard and soft) shaving soap and boxes, powder bags, silk powder puffs, toupee irons, &c.

Particular attention will be paid to those who please to favour him with their custom.

Annapolis, October 12, 1796.

THE subscriber intends to petition the next general assembly of Maryland, for an act to empower him to dispose of a house and lots in the town of Nottingham, the property of the late house of Brown, Perkins, and Buchanan.

WILLIAM BROWN, Surviving partner.

October 5, 1796.

DEPENDING, as I do in my present situation, upon receiving punctual payment of interest due me on bond, and otherwise, I request the favour of all those who are indebted, and more especially those who owe interest from two to seven years and upwards, that they would take notice, that I desire payment of all arrears of interest, on or before the 10th day of November next, otherwise I shall be under the disagreeable necessity of compelling payment by every method in my power, not only of such interest but principal also. I greatly dislike the trouble of dunning gentlemen by repeated applications, and have therefore thought it best for those concerned, as well as myself, to give this general notice.

Not being constantly in Annapolis any payment of interest to Henry Hall, jun. who lives at my house in town, will be good, he is authorized to receive for me, his receipt shall be deemed and taken as payment for the sum therein specified.

J. HALL.

Annapolis, October 11, 1796.

By virtue of an order of the orphans court of St. Mary's county, will be SOLD, to the HIGHEST BIDDER, at the dwelling plantation of Notterus Watkins, near said county, deceased, on Thursday the 15th day of December next, if fair, if not on the first fair day, for READY MONEY,

FROM twelve to thirty valuable likely young negro SLAVES, consisting of men, women, boys, and girls; their negroes are of good character, remarked for honesty and morality. At the same time will be sold the household, kitchen furniture, and plantation utensils, also the crop of corn, fodder, &c. &c. &c. the property of the deceased. The sale will commence at 12 o'clock.

All persons having just and legal claims against Jonathan Wheeler, deceased, are requested to make them known, and those indebted are desired to make payment to his executor.

Also will be sold, at public sale, agreeable to the last will and testament of Ignatius Wheeler, deceased, on Monday the 19th day of December next, on the premises, the dwelling plantation of the said deceased, containing by deed 375 acres; this tract of land is good for farming, lies in an agreeable neighbourhood, and beautifully situated in view of the rivers Patuxent and Wicomico. As further description is thought unnecessary, as those desirous of purchasing, it is expected, will view the premises before the day of sale. The terms will be made known on that day by

EDMUND BOWDEN, Executor of Ignatius Wheeler.

November 1, 1796.

The subscriber being appointed trustee by the honourable the High Court of Chancery of the State of Maryland, for the purpose of selling and conveying the real estate of Samuel Hanson, Esq; late of Charles county, deceased, agreeably to the will of the said deceased, will OFFER for SALE, in pursuance of said decree, on Monday the 5th day of December next, if fair, if not on the first fair day thereafter, at the late dwelling of said deceased,

ALL the REAL ESTATE as aforesaid, consisting of about two thousand acres of land; the whole of this property lies in Charles county, and the greater part thereof near the road leading from Port-Tobacco to Piscataway, about eight miles from each place. The land in general is well adapted to planting and farming, abounds with good water, and is valuably improved, with buildings, orchards, &c. This land will be sold on a credit of one, two, and three years, and the purchaser required to give bond on interest with sufficient security for the discharge of the purchase money, with the interest arising thereon, at three equal annual payments. The said estate will be sold in tracts or parcels as may best suit the purchasers, and answer the object of the sale.

HENRY H. CHAPMAN, Trustee.

P. S. On the day, and at the place above mentioned, will be offered for sale, on a twelve month's credit, a variety of stock, consisting of horses, cattle, sheep and hogs, also a few plantation utensils.

H. H. C.

NOTICE is hereby given, That a petition will be presented to the next general assembly of Maryland, for a road leading from the lower end of Cornwallis's Neck, Charles county, to the head of Matterwomen creek.

November 5, 1796.

Four Dollars Reward.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the subscriber, living in South river Neck, about the 20th of September last, a small sorrel HORSE, with a blaze face, about twelve hands high, and nine years old, paces and gallops. Whoever will bring him to me shall receive the above reward.

YARROW WATERS.

CHARLES FARIS,

Clock and Watch-Maker,

HAS received an assortment of gold and silver warranted Watches, gold, gilt, and steel Watch Chains and Seals, plated Castors, Candlesticks and Salts, with many other articles in his line, which he will sell low for cash.

Annapolis, October 12, 1796.

THE subscriber hereby informs his friends, and the public in general, that he has commenced TAVERN KEEPING in the city of Annapolis, at the sign of the Fountain-Inn, near the Church, at the house lately occupied by Richard Ridout, Esq. and where Mrs. Frances Brice formerly kept boarding-house, between Church and North-east-streets, in the said city; being well provided with good beds and stabling, and all kinds of the best of liquors, will thankfully be obliged for the custom of his friends, and the patronage of a generous public; anxious to please he is determined to have good hostlers and waiters, and to those who will honour him with their custom, he flatters himself to give general satisfaction.

HENRY CRIST.

Annapolis, September 26, 1796.

Charles county, August 12, 1796.

NOTICE is hereby given, that sundry inhabitants of this county intend to petition the next general assembly to grant them a public road, leading from a place commonly called Berne-town to Charles-town, commonly called Port-Tobacco, in said county.

By His Excellency

JOHN HOSKINS STONE, Esquire,

Governor of Maryland.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the General Assembly of Maryland, did, by an act passed at November session, seventeen hundred and ninety, entitled, "An act directing the time, places and manner, holding elections for representatives of this state in the congress of the United States, and for the regulation of the said elections, and also to repeal the act of assembly therein mentioned," direct, that the governor and council, after having received the returns, papers, and instruments containing the number of votes for representatives of this state in the congress of the United States, should enumerate and ascertain the number of votes for each and every candidate and person chosen as a representative, and by proclamation signed by the governor, and dispersed through the state, should declare the names of the persons duly elected as representatives. We, in pursuance of the directions of the said act, do, by this our proclamation, declare, that by the returns made to us it appears, that George Dent, Esquire, was elected for the first district, Richard Sprigg, Esquire, was elected for the second district, William Craik, Esquire, was elected for the third district, George Baer, Esquire, was elected for the fourth district, Samuel Smith, Esquire, was elected for the fifth district, William Matthews, Esquire, was elected for the sixth district, William Hindman, Esquire, was elected for the seventh district, and John Dennis, Esquire, was elected for the eighth district.

Given in Council, at the city of Annapolis, under the seal of the State of Maryland, this second day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six.

J. H. STONE.

By the Governor,

NIMIAN PINKNEY, Clerk of the Council.

In CHANCERY, October 25, 1796.

James Gordon, and others, against *Samuel Carter, and Rebecca his wife, and Anne Oden, and others.*

THE object of the bill is to obtain a decree for foreclosure of, or sale on a mortgage executed October 22, 1773, by David John Oden, deceased, father of the defendants, Rebecca and Anne, to John Glassford, and company, of two tracts of land at that time in Frederick county, called BOYSTON, and part of FALLOWSHIP, to secure the payment of £. 208 1 2½ it is stated, that the said Samuel, Rebecca, and Anne, are out of this state, and it is, on the complainant's motion, ordered, that he cause a copy of this order to be inserted three weeks successively in the Maryland Gazette before the 25th day of November next, to the intent that the aforesaid defendants may have notice of their (the said complainants) application to this court, and of the object of their bill, and may be warned to appear here on or, before the 25th day of March next, to shew cause wherefore a decree should not pass as prayed.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,
Reg. Cur. Can.

A Housekeeper Wanted.

ONE who understands her business, and can come well recommended for her industry, economy, and integrity, to such an one liberal wages will be given. Inquire of the Printers hereof.

Annapolis, November 2, 1796.

FOR SALE,

A TRACT of LAND, in Anne-Arundel county, near Pig Point, containing upwards of three hundred acres, either for CASH, or on CREDIT. The terms may be more particularly known by application to captain JOHN KILTY, at Baltimore, or to the subscriber, at Annapolis.

WILLIAM KILTY.

October 25, 1796.

THE debtors to the State of Maryland for confiscated property purchased, and others who have instalted their debts, will please to observe, that their next instalment becomes due on the first day of December next, and it is expected that the payments will be made at the Treasury of the Western Shore on or before that day; otherwise process will certainly issue against every delinquent on the day following; it hath been a practice heretofore to delay issuing against the delinquents until after the 20th day of February following, to no such indulgence will be given for the ensuing instalment. I hope the debtors will be punctual in making their payments. In all cases where property is taken in execution for the use of the state, I shall fix a place and day of sale, where I shall attend in person to enforce the sale, unless payment be made.

The several county clerks will please to take notice, that agreeably to law their returns and payments should be made on the first day of November in each year, and as several of them have heretofore neglected to comply, it will certainly put the law in force against those who fail in making their returns and payments on the first day of November next.

The sheriffs are requested to pay up their respective balances on or before the first day of November next, otherwise I shall take immediate steps thereafter for the recovery of the same.

WILLIAM MARBURY, Agent
For the State of Maryland.

Washington Canal Lottery, No. I.

WHEREAS the State of Maryland has authorised us, the underwritten, to raise twenty-six thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, for the purpose of cutting a canal through the city of Washington, from the Potowmack to the Eastern Branch harbour. The following is the scheme of No. 1.

Viz—1 Prize of	20,000 dollars	20,000
1 ditto	10,000	10,000
7 last drawn tickets, each	5,000	35,000
5 ditto	1,000	5,000
10 ditto	500	5,000
20 ditto	100	2,000
55 ditto	50	2,750
1750 ditto	12	63,000
To be raised for the canal,		26,250
1847 Prizes,		175,000
11653 Blanks, not two to a prize.		
13500 Tickets at 13 dollars		175,000

The commissioners have taken the securities required by the aforesaid act for the punctual payment of the prizes.

The drawing of this lottery will commence without delay as soon as the tickets are sold, of which timely notice will be given.

Such prizes as are not demanded in six months after the drawing is finished, shall be considered as relinquished for the benefit of the canal, and appropriated accordingly.

SIGNED BY
NOTLEY YOUNG,
DANIEL CARROLL, of D.
LEWIS DEBLOIS,
GEORGE WALKER,
WM. M. DUNCANSON,
THOMAS LAW,
JAMES BARRY.

City of Washington, February 9, 1796.

TICKETS

IN the WASHINGTON CANAL LOTTERY, No. I. to be had at the Counting-House of WALLACE & MUIR. Price, ten Dollars.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD!

WERE stolen from this city, on Sunday evening last, two bay HORSES, remarkably well matched, four years old last spring, about fourteen hands three inches high, hanging manes and switch tails, which are long; each of them has a small star in his forehead, and one of them a small white snip on the nose; one is branded S I the other branded S on their buttocks; they have been newly shod, and are remarkably fat. Whoever will deliver to me the said horses shall receive Twenty Dollars, and whoever apprehends the thief or thieves, who stole them, shall receive Thirty, on their conviction.

J. H. STONE.

Annapolis, September 20, 1796.

THE PRESIDENT and DIRECTORS of the BANK of BALTIMORE give notice to the STOCKHOLDERS, that the remaining two thirds of the first instalment, being one hundred dollars on each share, will be required *in specie* at their banking house on Monday the 26th December next, or on either of the two following days.

NOTICE is also given, that the books of the bank will be opened on the 12th day of December next, for the purpose of making transfers of stock; powers of attorney duly executed before a magistrate, accompanied with a certificate from the clerk of the county where the magistrate resides, or the oath of the attesting witness, will be received from those who cannot attend in person. All powers of attorney already executed agreeably to the above, or that may be executed before the aforegoing date for the transfer of such stock, will be received by the president, to remain with him until the books are opened, when the same shall be admitted like other powers of attorney.

JAMES COX, Cashier.

Baltimore, 22d October, 1796.

JOHN HYDE,

RESPECTFULLY informs the public, and his customers, that he carries on the TANNING and CURRYING BUSINESS as usual, at the tan-yard formerly occupied by Mr. BAKER, where he has for sale a quantity of upper and sole leather of the first quality, which he will sell at the most reduced prices for cash. He continues to purchase hides and bark for which he will give a generous price, and would willingly contract for a quantity of bark for the next season. He returns his sincere thanks to the public and others for their past favours, and solicits their continuance for the future.

Annapolis, 1796.

N. B. An apprentice wanted at the above business.

CASH given for Clean Linen and Cotton RAGS,

At the Printing-Office.

TREASURY of the UNITED STATES.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons who are or may be creditors of the United States, for any part of the *Funded Debt*, or *Stock*, bearing a *yearly interest of six per centum per annum*:

1st. That pursuant to an Act of Congress passed on the 28th day of April, 1796, entitled, "An Act in addition to an Act, entitled, "An act making further provision for the support of public credit, and for the redemption of the Public Debt," the said Debt or Stock will be reimbursed and paid in manner following, to wit: "First, by dividends to be made on the last "days of March, June and September, for the present year, and from the year one thousand seven "hundred and ninety-seven, to the year one thousand "eight hundred and eighteen inclusive, at the rate of "one and one half per centum upon the original capital. Secondly, by dividends to be made on the "last day of December for the present year, and from "the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-seven, to the year one thousand eight hundred and seventeen inclusive, at the rate of three and one half "per centum upon the original capital; and by a dividend to be made on the last day of December, in "the year one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, "of such sum, as will be then adequate, according to "the contract, for the final redemption of the said "stock."

2d. All distinction between payments on account of *Interest* and *Principal* being thus abolished by the establishment of the permanent rate of reimbursement above described, it has become necessary to vary accordingly the powers of attorney for receiving dividends; the public creditors will therefore observe that the following form is established for all powers of attorney which may be granted after the due promulgation of this notice, viz.

KNOW all men by these presents, that I ——— *of* ——— *in* ——— *do make, constitute and appoint* ——— *of* ——— *my true and lawful attorney, for me, and in my name, to receive the dividends which are, or shall be payable according to law, on the* [here describing the stock] *standing in my name in the books of* [here describing the books of the Treasury or the commissioner of Loans, where the stock is credited] *from* [here insert the commencement and expiration of time for which the power of attorney is to continue] *with power also an attorney or attornies under him, for that purpose to make and substitute, and to do all lawful acts requisite for effecting the premises, hereby ratifying and confirming all that my said Attorney, or his substitute, shall lawfully do, by virtue hereof.*

IN WITNESS hereof, I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal, the ——— *day of* ——— *in the year* ———.

Sealed and Delivered in presence of

BE IT KNOWN, That on the ——— *day of* ——— *before me personally came* ———, *within named and acknowledged the above letter of attorney to be his act and deed.*

IN TESTIMONY whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed ——— *Seal, the day and year last aforesaid.*

GIVEN under my hand at Philadelphia, this twentieth day of July, 1796, pursuant to directions from the Secretary of the Treasury.

SAMUEL MEREDITH, Treasurer of the United States.

THIS is to request that all persons indebted to the estate of RICHARD BEARD, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, will make immediate payment, or suits will be commenced against all delinquents to the next courts, and all those having claims against said deceased are requested to bring them in, legally authenticated, that they may be settled and paid, on or about the first day of December next, at which time we expect to be prepared for that purpose.

MARY BEARD, Administratrix,
M. BEARD, } Administrators.
JOHN BEARD, }

P. S. And on the first day of December aforesaid, will be offered for sale, on a credit till the first day of March next, on bond with approved security, a large crop of Indian corn, and corn fodder, also some hay, a quantity of excellent cider, and a parcel of stock, household and kitchen furniture, &c. which remained unsold at the last sale.

Beard's Habitation, October 23, 1796.

COMMITTED to my custody as a runaway, a negro woman who calls herself MINTA, and says she belongs to captain WALTER SMITH, of Calvert county, she appears to be about 18 or 19 years of age, and pretty tall. Her master is desired to take her away, or she will be sold agreeably to law to discharge her prison fees, and other charges.

JOSEPH GREEN, Sheriff
Sept. 15, 1796. of Charles county.

STOLEN from the subscriber, living in Anne-Arundel county, near Pig Point, on Saturday the 23th ult. a sorrel HORSE, about fourteen hands high, has on the near buttock a black spot, and a small scar on the side of his nose. Whoever takes up said horse, and secures him so that I get him again, shall receive FOUR DOLLARS REWARD.

THOMAS OWINGS.

July 6, 1796.

ANNAPOLIS:
Printed by FREDERICK and SAMUEL GREEN.